GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

HM& FW – Cardiac Emergency Services – "Jan Raksha" Provision of Automatic External Defibrillators (AED) at public places for citizen health– Orders – Issued.

HEALTH, MEDICAL AND FAMILY WELFARE (H2) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.616 **Dated:30.11.2017**
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ORDERS:

Cardio vascular diseases (CVDs) have become one the leading causes of mortality in India. It is estimated that a quarter of all mortality is attributable to CVD and even in that Ischemic heart disease and stroke are the predominant causes for more than 80% of CVD deaths. The CVD death rate of 272 per 100000 population in India is high and calls for immediate preventive action.

2. Out of hospital cardiac arrest is one of the leading cause of death in India and Sudden Cardiac Arrest (SCA) is an emergency. A person having SCA needs to be treated with a defibrillator right away. **Automated external defibrillators (AEDs)** are special defibrillators that are available easily and even an untrained bystander can use to resurrect a person having SCA. AEDs are programmed to give an electric shock if they detect a dangerous cardiac arrhythmia, such as ventricular fibrillation, which prevents giving a shock to someone who may have fainted but not having an SCA. It is therefore safe for emergency use with no chance of wrong use, as it is fully automated.

3. Accordingly, all the agencies under the Department of Municipal Administration, Department of Transport, Department of Health & Family Welfare, Department of Sports & Youth Affairs, and all such departments/agencies that deal with gathering of large number of people; are required to ensure installation of AED devices at all important public places, where such AEDs can be easily accessed. Category of places with respect to provision of AED is categorized as below:

1. Mandatory : Such places may include, but not limited to, building with offices of private companies, banks, gyms & stadiums, bus depots, hospitals, clubs & community centers, Kalyan Mandapams, auditoriums, shopping mall and other such public places. The cost & maintenance of AEDs in such public places shall be the responsibility of the owner of such premises (for both Government & Private premises as the case may be).

2. Desirable: Municipalities and Gram Panchayats may also encourage residential societies & panchayats to keep an AED.

3. Non-essential: Since schools, other educational institutions & hostels have people of younger age groups in which the SCA is extremely rare, such institutions are not to be included at this stage.

4. Government after careful examination hereby ordered that the APMSIDC shall support rate contract based procurement of AED for various departments/agencies who place their requirement to APMSIDC. The placement of AEDs in all described public places shall be ensured in 180 days from the issue of this order.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

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